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Table 1. Quarterly Summary of Fibers Consumed on the Woolen System and Worsted Combing: 1995 to 2000
[Thousands of pounds]

Quarter and year	Total fibers con- sumed 1/	Raw wool 2/ 3/				Noils, reprocessed and reused wool	Other fiber
		Total	Woolen	Worsted	Carpet		
2000							
First quarter.....	211,536	20,926	8,548	8,594	3,784	2,192	188,418
1999							
Fourth quarter.....	188,718	16,599	6,182	7,451	2,966	1,972	170,147
Third quarter.....	207,187	18,976	7,311	8,482	3,183	1,782	186,429
Second quarter.....	209,609	20,396	7,933	8,882	3,581	2,101	187,112
First quarter.....	194,500	21,514	7,725	9,569	4,220	1,913	171,073
1998							
Fourth quarter.....	191,047	21,918	7,924	9,606	4,388	2,176	166,953
Third quarter.....	197,599	25,968	9,548	12,400	4,020	1,924	169,707
Second quarter.....	225,062	33,629	14,782	14,795	4,052	3,797	187,636
First quarter.....	219,729	33,189	14,083	15,235	3,871	3,152	183,388
1997							
Fourth quarter.....	220,767	36,214	17,795	14,999	3,420	4,492	180,061
Third quarter.....	220,396	34,033	16,145	14,493	3,395	5,012	181,351
Second quarter.....	234,576	37,154	18,112	15,718	3,324	5,423	191,999
First quarter.....	229,038	36,561	18,289	14,835	3,437	5,444	187,033
1996							
Fourth quarter.....	214,312	29,944	13,238	13,595	3,111	4,133	180,235
Third quarter.....	225,066	30,833	14,770	12,670	3,393	5,661	188,572
Second quarter.....	235,328	38,853	20,438	15,755	2,660	7,128	189,347
First quarter.....	237,489	42,206	21,270	17,789	3,147	5,635	189,648
1995							
Fourth quarter.....	224,520	31,531	12,613	15,503	3,415	3,193	189,796
Third quarter.....	233,981	32,995	11,454	17,930	3,611	4,313	196,673
Second quarter.....	243,887	38,631	16,658	18,797	3,176	6,315	198,941
First quarter.....	250,984	38,809	16,575	19,769	2,465	5,987	206,188

1/Includes top converted from manmade fiber tow without combing.

2/Data are shown on a scoured basis for greasy wool.

3/Shorn pulled wool of the sheep. Does not include raw wool consumed in cotton spinning.

Table 2. Summary of Fibers Consumed in Woolen System Spinning and Worsted Combing
[Thousands of pounds]

Product description	First quarter 2000		Fourth quarter 1999	First quarter 1999
All fibers 1/.....	211,536		188,718	194,500
Raw wool 2/ 3/.....	20,926		16,599	21,514
Apparel class.....	17,142		13,633	17,294
Woolen system.....	8,548	r/	6,182	7,725
Worsted combing.....	8,594		7,451	9,569
Carpet class 4/.....	3,784	r/	2,966	4,220
Noils, reprocessed and reused wool, and other animal fibers 5/.....	2,192		1,972	1,913
Other fibers 1/.....	188,418		170,147	171,073
Nylon.....	119,774		105,431	110,476
Polyester.....	30,883		29,625	25,786
Acrylic and modacrylic.....	34,191		31,837	31,136
Other fibers 6/.....	3,570		3,254	3,675

r/Revised by 5 percent or more from previously published data.

1/Includes top converted from manmade fiber tow without combing.

2/Data are shown on a scoured basis for greasy wool.

3/Shorn and pulled wool of the sheep. Does not include raw wool consumed in cotton system spinning.

4/Data for carpet and rug yarn, tops, noils, and reprocessed wool, except shorn and pulled, are included with carpet class raw wool to avoid disclosing data for individual companies. These data are less than one-half of one percent of carpet class raw wool.

5/Mohair, alpaca, vicuna, and other specialty fibers, as well as tops and noils consumed in the cotton system spinning, amounted to 514 thousand pounds in the first quarter 2000 and in the fourth quarter 1999 amounted to 410 thousand pounds.

6/Includes cotton, jute, and other vegetable fibers.

Table 3. Fibers Consumed in Woolen System Spinning
[Thousands of pounds]

Product code	Product description		First quarter 2000		Fourth quarter 1999		First quarter 1999
	Fibers consumed in woolen spinning 1/.....		195,081		173,094		177,729
	For yarns (except carpet and rugs).....		48,962		42,986		46,045
	Shorn and pulled wool of the sheep.....		8,548	r/	6,182		7,725
11241061	60S and finer.....	a/	5,108	a/	3,925		4,815
11241062	Coarser than 60S.....	a/	3,440	a/	2,257		2,910
	Other wool.....		2,066		1,812		1,755
31499997	Sheep.....		1,587		1,367		1,157
11241071	Other.....	b/	479	b/	445		598
31499989	Reprocessed wool and reused wool.....	b/	126	b/	160		158
	Other fibers.....		38,222		34,832		36,407
32522292	Nylon.....	b/	2,063	b/	2,018		2,161
32522295	Polyester.....		6,327		5,253		5,816
32522296	Acrylic and modacrylic.....		26,324		24,369		24,817
32522298	All other fibers, including rayon and acetate		3,508		3,192		3,613
	For carpet and rug yarns.....		146,119		130,108		131,684
11241051	Shorn pulled wool of the sheep 2/.....		(D)		(D)		(D)
31499998	Tops, noils, mohair, reused and reprocessed wool, and other wool (except shorn or pulled) 2/.....		(D)		(D)		(D)
	Other fibers.....		142,335		127,142		127,464
32522291	Nylon.....		117,711		103,413		108,315
32522293	Polyester.....		(D)		(D)		(D)
32522294	Acrylic and modacrylic.....		(D)		(D)		(D)
32522297	All other fibers, including rayon and acetate.....		(D)		(D)		(D)

D Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual companies. r/Revised by 5 percent or more from previously published data.

1/Data are shown on scoured basis for greasy wools.

2/Product codes 11241051 and 31499998 have a combined total and is as follows: first quarter 2000, 3,784; fourth quarter 1999, 2,966; first quarter 1999, 4,220.

Note: The percent of estimation for each item is indicated as follows: a/25 to 35 percent of this item is estimated. b/More than 35 percent of this item is estimated.

Table 4. Production of Tops and Noils Combed and Manmade Tow Converted to Top without Combing
[Thousands of pounds]

Product code	Product description	First quarter 2000	Fourth quarter 1999	First quarter 1999
	Tops and noils combed.....	8,594	7,451	9,569
	Top production.....	7,986	6,910	8,815
	Wool of the sheep.....	7,986	6,910	8,815
313111C112	60S and finer.....	6,368	5,699	7,482
313111C115	Coarser than 60S.....	1,618	1,211	1,333
313111C119	All other fibers, including mohair.....	-	-	-
	Noil production.....	608	541	754
	Wool of the sheep.....	608	541	754
313111C122	60S and finer.....	475	446	598
313111C125	Coarser than 60S.....	133	95	156
313111C129	All other fibers, including mohair.....	-	-	-
	Manmade tow converted to top in woolen and worsted mills without combing.....	7,861	8,173	7,202
313111C144	Polyester.....	(D)	(D)	(D)
313111C146	Acrylic fibers.....	(D)	(D)	(D)
313111C148	Manmade fibers (except polyester or acrylic).....	(D)	(D)	(D)

- Represents zero. D Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual companies.